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PEOPLE are greatly divided with Regard to the original Situation of *Great Britain*; it is uncertain whether Nature plac'd her in the ſame awful commanding Situation ſhe now enjoys; or whether ſhe was not at firſt join'd to the Continent, while *Old Ocean* waſh'd her apart, to be Miſtreſs of himſelf and all his Treaſures. Be that as it will, it is certain we have ſeen one M——r defeat all the kind Deſigns of the Creator, and the Element: We have ſeen him break down the Barrier aſſign'd by Nature, break down the eternal Partition fix'd by the Hand of Heaven; we have heard him contradict its Voice, we have heard him ſay to the Billows *ye ſhall vaniſh, and they have fled:* In ſhort, to finiſh this Image, we have ſeen one *E——h* M——r join *Britain* to the Continent, and forfeit every Bleſſing, deſtroy every Advantage meant her by Nature.

England, *bound in with the triumphant Sea,*
Whoſe rocky Shore beats back the envious Surge,
Of wat'ry Neptune, *is bound in with Shame,*
With inky Blots, and rotten Parchment-Bonds.
That England, *that was wont to conquer others,*
Hath made a ſhameful Conqueſt of itſelf.
SHAKESPEAR.

There is a Conduct ſuited to the Situation of a People, from which if they deviate, they act as meanly as they who ſtoop from the Station in which they are placed by Fortune. There is ſcarcely a petty People, nay, I will not except *H——ns*, the laſt and leaſt of Mankind, who have not by Nature ſome Advantages, of which if they make a proper Uſe they may appear, in certain Circumſtances, with *Graceſulneſs*, if not with *Dignity*. But for a People to forego thoſe Advantages, is quitting *their Poſt of Honour:* —— It is *National Strength* which gives *National Honour*; —— Men who ſacrifice the firſt, are ſoon forced to part with the laſt; —— they are reduced to a thouſand Meanneſſes to ſupply what they have wantonly or fooliſhly given up; —— Much do they ſuffer from their Enemies, but more from their Friends.

Providence never wrote a Truth in ſo plain, ſo legible, Characters, as that *G——t B——n* by Situation, is form'd to hold the Balance of *Europe*, by preſerving the Sovereignty of the Ocean. That ſhe is plac'd upon a Rock againſt which the Gates of Hell never can prevail; and that ſhe may, without forfeiting one natural Advantage, or endangering one National Bleſſing, bid Defiance to all *Foreign Ambition*. But then ſhe is to imitate the Conduct of her own *Type*, I mean NEPTUNE, as deſcrib'd by VIRGIL; ſhe is not to appear but when the other Elements have tranſgreſs'd their Bounds, when they begin to ſpread their Ravages over her own Dominion. It is then alone *Great Britain* can appear with Dignity, it is then alone ſhe can act to Advantage.

But has ſhe not lately been made the Tool of a wrong-headed vindictive *Juno*; has ſhe not reſigned the Trident, which ſhe knows how to weild to Advantage, for a Sword too heavy for her Arm? Inſtead of acting like *Neptune*, has ſhe not bluſter'd like *Eolus?* Has ſhe not ſent forth her *Boreas* who has blown up the Storms of *Europe*, which now ſpread ſo wide, and rage ſo fiercely, that the awful Voice of *B——n* is no longer heard? It is diſrepected by every *G——n* Prince; it is deſpiſed by every *D——ch* Burgomaſter; and from a *ſcepter'd Iſle*, ſhe is become a *pelted Farm*.

But not to dwell on Figures, let us caſt our Eye on real Tranſactions, let us review what is now actually paſſing, what very lately has paſt, on the Scene of Affairs. Have not our Troops in *Flanders* been reduced to the laſt Extremity? Were they not *led to the Field*, inſtead of *taking the Field?* Did they not appear rather as *Victims devoted to Bleed*, than *as Soldiers devoted to Fight?* At the Expence of 150,000 Pounds, which we paid for the Paſſage of the *Auſtrians* over the *Rhine*, we procured them a ſhort Reprieve; the *French*, alarm'd at the Blow aim'd at their Vitals, withdrew their Forces from their Frontiers, leaving *Mariſchall de Saxe* to make Head againſt the Confederates. Theſe Preliminaries, which, I think, cannot be diſputed, being ſettled, I ſhall draw up what I have farther to ſay in a few Queries, which I humbly offer to the Conſideration of the Public, and of our moſt *potent, grave, and reverend Senators*.

Q. 1. Whether the Confederate Army in *Flanders* did not at the Time, or in a few Days after the *French* marched for *Alſace*, conſiſt of 70,000 fighting Men all in good Spirits, and the *Engliſh* in particular; to uſe the Words of our own Papers, *longing for nothing ſo much, as to have a Bout with the* French?

Q. 2. Whether *Mariſchall de Saxe* was then at the Head of above 40,000 Men, his Army unprovided, and his Camp untenable?

Q. 3. Whether it had not been eaſy for the Confederates to have then deſtroy'd this Army, if it had been inſtantly and vigorouſly attacked.

Q. 4. Whether this was not the Opinion of the *Britiſh* Officers, in a general Council of War?

Q. 5. Whether the Troops of a certain R——c, in that Council, did not abſolutely declare that they had Orders not to act Offenſively, and not to ſtrike a Blow?

Q. 6. Whether the Mercenaries in the Pay of *B——n*, did not abſolutely refuſe to act, unleſs the Troops of the ſaid R——c would produce their Orders for acting offenſively, their Generals giving their old Reaſon for this Conduct, *that it was their Duty to preſerve his Majeſty's Troops?*

Q. 7. Whether in all human Probability, the Confederates will ever again have ſo favourable an Opportunity for humbling the *French*, if that be the real Deſign of the preſent War?

When theſe Queries have receiv'd full and direct Anſwers, I promiſe that thoſe Anſwers ſhall, in this Paper, meet with Replies as full, as direct, and equally authentic, from whatever Quarter they ſhall proceed. But, good Heavens! ſuppoſing they cannot be anſwered otherwiſe than in the Affirmative, into what a helpleſs, hopeleſs Situation are we plung'd? Suppoſing that the late Step of *Pruſſia* ſhould oblige Prince *Charles* to repaſs the *Rhine*, where are thy Triumphs, thy Exploits, O C——? Four or 5 and 20 thouſand *Engliſh* Troops, left in an Enemy's Country, engag'd in a Foreign Quarrel, deſerted by their unnatural, ungrateful Mercenaries, expos'd to the Reſentment of a powerful Prince they have wantonly provok'd; and to the Mirth of an Ally whom they have meanly courted! Let paſt Ages produce the Parallel of ſuch a Situation; let future Ages believe it, if they can.

The Public is ſometimes apt to think that in political Papers, Matters are aggravated, and Facts miſrepreſented; but it is the peculiar Misfortunes of the Times we live in, that it is not in the Power of a public Writer, to write up to the Abſurdities we daily ſee. Can the moſt ingenious Satyriſt publiſh any thing near ſo ſevere againſt the Conduct of our preſent A——n, as a certain Memorial lately preſented by a *B——ſh* M——r, to a Government, with whom it hath been pretended, we have all along acted in Concert?

Does not the whole begging, crying, Strain of that Memorial evince, ſtronger than the moſt embitter'd Pen can ſuggeſt, that we have in the Quarrel we are now madly engaged, proceeded *ſolely* and *ſingly*, without Countenance, without Encouragement from the moſt natural Ally we have? But what is ſtill more remarkable, has not the Penman of it been obliged to apply to the *Paſſions* inſtead of the *Reaſon*. Apply to the *Paſſions* of a *Dutchman*, who has none, who as a *Dutchman* and a Member of a free State, ought to have none; but what are directed by Intereſt! Strip this Memorial of a few Words, ſuch as *public Security*, *good Faith*, *Sovereigns jealous of their Honour*, and ſome other Flowers of the ſame Kind, which, as they are planted, can have no Meaning; and what remains but a String of Interrogatories, which may be all flatly and fairly anſwered againſt us; or a few general Maxims, unſupported by the Experience, and inconſiſtent with the Intereſt of the State to which they are addreſs'd.

Let us, for Inſtance then, ſuppoſe an honeſt *Dutchman*, and a Member of the Aſſembly, to which this extraordinary Memorial is addreſs'd, was to lay his Hand upon his Heart, and ask himſelf the ſame Queſtion our M——r does; *Whether in his Conſcience, he believes the particular Intereſt of the Republic has been provided for, by their not acting deciſively in the preſent Situation of Affairs?* I am extremely apt to believe he would reply, that upon his Soul he believes it has; and for the following Reaſons; 1*ſt*. The *French* are now perfectly convinced that they have nothing to dread from *Holland*; and therefore will take care that ſhe ſhall have nothing to dread from them. 2*dly*, They have by their *Indeciſion*, ſecured and continued to themſelves their Commerce with *France*; a Commerce more Beneficial to them, than that with all the World beſides. 3*dly*, They have by their *Indeciſion*, cut out *Great Britain* from ſome of the moſt valuable Branches of Commerce. And *laſtly*, they have by their *Indeciſion*, remov'd the Jealouſies of their powerful *German* Neighbour, who muſt be convinc'd that they know how to diſtinguiſh betwixt their engaging as Principals, in a War for the Intereſt of *Britain*, inſeperably connected with their own, and engaging as *officious Medlers* for the Intereſt of *H——r*, and in the Affairs of the Empire.

Suppoſing the ſame ſenſible, honeſt *Dutchman* to be ask'd, in the Terms of the ſaid Memorial, *Pray, Sir, do you ſee what Umbrage, what Jealouſies, your Indeciſion has given to the Allies of the good Cauſe?* How naturally, how honeſtly, how like a *Dutchman* might he anſwer; Indeed, Sir, I don't know what Right this Cauſe has to be term'd THE GOOD, nor who thoſe Allies are who ſupport it. I know of a Principal, and I know of one Ally who is the E——r of *H——r*, but I don't know, nay, I cannot conceive that the *B——ſh* Nation ever can be its Allies: That it is the Intereſt of the

F——r of *H*——r to be ſo is, indeed, very viſible, but that I think is like the Wren piſſing in the Sea. But, Sir, if you will have the Truth, have it at once, what ſignifies mincing the Matter; I conceive there is a great Difference between one *Britiſh* M——r, and all the *B*——*ſh* M------y, nay, betwixt all the *B*---- *ſh* M——ry, and the *B*---*ſh* Nation.

Ambition and Greedineſs, continues the Memorialiſt, *have already drawn together but too many Powers.* ---- So much the worſe for us, replies the *Dutchman*, there is the more Reaſon why we ſhould not provoke them: But, Sir, I ask Pardon, that is no Rule for you, you may do as you pleaſe;---- only, Sir, let us have the ſame Liberty. ---- *Nay but*, replies the Memorialiſt, *the Principals of Self-Preſervation call upon you.* Z--ds, Sir, do you take me for a Fool,——don't I know how to manage my own Affairs; —— am I ſuch a Ninny as you, to have no Regard to the Principles of Self-Preſervation.——*But, Sir, Virtue and Honour*—— Yes, indeed, Mr. Memorialiſt, the ſame are pretty Words, but, pray Sir, make me ſenſible on what Side *Virtue* and *Honour* lye. The *French* behav'd very *virtuouſly* and *honourably* to us till you coax'd us to take ſome Part in your d---n'd Quarrel.——*But, Sir, my Maſter does not mind Expence; and he puſhes the War from whatever Side it may come, and my Maſter, Sir, perſeveres in the glorious Deſign.*——Well, Sir, and what of all that? Your Maſter I know to be a very worthy honeſt Man, but then, Sir, the Expence does not come out of his Pocket; and, I ſuppoſe, you and your Friends tell him that he can't do a Thing more for his future Glory, eſpecially ſince he has ſo excellent a P--t L——te as *G*——*y C*——*r*, Eſq; to ſing his Praiſes, and ſo exquiſite a Biographer as Dr. *M*——*r*, to write his Life. —— So Mr. Memorialiſt and gentle Reader, I take my Leave, at this Time, of you both.

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FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

SWEDEN.

Stockholm, Aug. 21. Our Founderies are employ'd in making 100 Pieces of Iron Cannon for the Service of the King of *Pruſſia*; they are to carry a Ball of eighteen Pound Weight, and are to be ſent into *Germany* before the End of the Autumn.

PORTUGAL.

Liſbon, Aug. 24. A French Squadron ſtill continues upon this Coaſt, but we have no Certainty as to the Number of the Ships of which it is compos'd, the Reports which come in from the Sea concerning it being very various; ſome pretend that the Spaniſh Men of War from Carthagena (excepting the Real) have actually join'd it; and others, that the ſaid Spaniſh Squadron was ſail'd for Toulon.

GERMANY.

Hamburgh, Aug. 25. They write from Hanover, that the Troops of that Electorate have receiv'd Orders to hold themſelves in Readineſs to march.

Otterſdorff, Aug. 24. Prince Charles having receiv'd Advice, that 16,000 Pruſſians were entered into Bohemia by the County of Glatz, and that a much greater Number would ſpeedily enter by the Way of Saxony and Luſace, call'd a Council of War the 21ſt, and the Army repaſs'd the Rhine at Benheim the 23d. The advanc'd Troops of the Enemy attack'd our Rear-Guard, but were repuls'd with great Vigour, and our whole Loſs does not amount to above 500 Men. Since this Paſſage our Army is encamp'd near Raſtadt, and we have a free Communication with Count Bathiani. Prince Charles intends to advance towards the Neckar, in order to cut off the Communication of Count Seckendorff with the Pruſſians, and ſend the neceſſary Reinforcements into Bohemia.

Franckfort, Aug. 27. We receiv'd Advice Yeſterday that Prince Charles of Lorrain began to repaſs the Rhine the 23d Inſtant, and that he continued his March the following Night, in order to encamp at Raſtadt. On the Evening of the ſame Day an Imperial Brigadier arrived here, preceeded by twelve Poſtillions ſounding their Horns, with an Account that the Rear-Guard of the Enemy, conſiſting of all the Grenadiers of the Army, had been attacked in their Retreat, that upwards of 3000 Men were killed upon the Spot, that 1500 had either deſerted or ſurrender'd themſelves to Count Seckendorff, that two Veſſels, on board of which were 1000 Auſtrians, were loſt in the Rhine, and that General Nadaſti, with 1000 of his Troops, was cut off. The ſame Expreſs brings Word alſo, that Count Seckendorff had paſs'd the Rhine at Germerſheim with a conſiderable Body of his Army, and that Marſhal Coigny has done the like at Fort Louis: Notwithſtanding all which there are private Advices which ſay, that the Auſtrians did not loſe above 1500 Men, and that Prince Charles made a very glorious Retreat.

Metz, Aug. 24. The Concern which his Royal Highneſs the Dauphin was under upon Account of the Danger the King was in, together with the Fatigues of his Journey hither, made him a little out of Order, and the next Day after his Arrival he had a ſlight Touch of a Fever, but his Diſorder did not continue.

FRANCE.

Paris, Aug. 28. The following is an Extract of a Letter from the Combin'd Army in the Alps, dated Auguſt 20.

'We took Demont and its Garriſon the 18th 'Inſtant, with the Loſs of five Men only. There 'were 1100 Men in the Fort, which is not at 'all damaged. We found 58 Braſs Cannon, 14 'Mortars, and a great Quantity of Ammunition 'and Proviſions. The Prince of Conti was march-'ing with the Army to Coni, which cannot 'hold out above eight Days Siege at moſt; and 'tis 'thought we ſhall afterwards go directly to Turin, 'which is but three or four Days March. Several 'Millions of Contributions are demanded of the 'King of Sardinia.'

COUNTRY NEWS.

Briſtol, Aug 25. On Sunday laſt the Queen of Hungary Privateer of this Port, brought into Kingroad a fine Domingo Ship, valued at 20,000 l. The Way ſhe met with this Prize, as given to us as authentic, is as follows: That being in Purſuit of a Packet-Boat near three Days, (of whom they got Intelligence by a Dutchman) on Saturday the 11th Inſtant they fell in with five Sail of Domingo Ships, within two Days Sail of Bourdeaux, whom they engaged at a Diſtance, till the Tueſday following; at Four o'Clock of which Day they began to engage them more cloſe, and by Four in the Afternoon the hindmoſt of them ſtruck to the Privateer, who brought her off in Triumph, while the others fired their Chace-Guns, and made the beſt of their Way; but had not the Privateer exhauſted her Powder and Ball too much, in all Probability, this Port had been honour'd with the Appearance of all the Fleet. The Prize is called the Roſtan, Capt. Gabray, 300 Tons, 410 Hogſheads of Sugar, 5 ditto of Coffee, 16 ditto of Indigo, and other Goods, and is the Property of Monſ. Raphael, a Jew Merchant of Bourdeaux. The Queen of Hungary is not above 80 Tons, 12 Guns, and 120 Men.

LONDON.

Tueſday came an Account by the French Mail, that the Mary, Capt. Sergeant, from Antigua for London, was taken by a French Privateer the 27th paſt, and carried into Grandville.

They write from Newcaſtle, that the Soleil, a large French Privateer of twenty-four Carriage, beſide Swivel Guns, and 300 Men, belonging to Dunkirk, is taken by one of our Men of War, after an obſtinate Reſiſtance, and carried into Leith.

It is ſaid that the Northumberland Man of War lately taken by the French, being repaired and compleatly fitted up, ſailed from Breſt, and was ſoon after loſt, and that moſt of the Crew periſhed.

It was laſt Night reported, that an Expreſs was arrived, with an Account of a ſecond Action in Italy, between the Auſtrians under Prince Lobkowitz, and the French and Spaniards, to the Advantage of the former.

Monday died of a lingering Illneſs, at his Houſe in Groſvenor-Square, the Right Hon. Henry Coote, Earl of Montrath in the Kingdom of Ireland, and Member in the preſent Parliament for the Borough of Heydon in Yorkſhire, which he likewiſe repreſented in the laſt Parliament.

They write from Portſmouth, that Admiral Balchen has taken five more French Ships from Martinico, and ſent to that Port.

Several more twenty-gun Ships are order'd to be built at his Majeſty's Yards with all Expedition, on which Account a great Number of Hands are to be employ'd.

Several Men of War lie now at Spithead, which are order'd to be mann'd and rigg'd with all Expedition.

An Order is ſent to the Commiſſioners of the Land-Tax to meet again this Day in the ſeveral Pariſhes of the City and Liberty of Weſtminſter, to put in Force the Act for the better recruiting his Majeſty's Land-Forces and Marines, in order to raiſe Men for the Service of the Plantations abroad.

On Friday 7-Night a great Number of Wheelbarrows, Pickaxes, and other Things for breaking Ground at Sieges, were put on board a Veſſel at the Tower for Flanders.

Sir Thomas Lowther, Bart. who has for ſome time been very ill, at his Houſe in Sackville Street, is going to ſet out for the Bath, by the Advice of the Phyſicians, for the better Recovery of his Health.

Laſt Saturday Morning a Man was found hanging in a Tree in Pancras-Waſh, near the Church. He was about 30 Years of Age, and had on an Orange-Colour Livery lin'd with Red, with Braſs Buttons, and a white Waiſtcoat.

Private Letters from the Hague of the 31ſt Inſtant, N. S. ſay, that they had received Letters from Greifſwalde, dated the 15th of Auguſt, importing, that 13000 Ruſſians were marched by that Place, in their Way to Germany; and that they were to be joined by another conſiderable Body of Troops of the ſame Nation.

Private Letters from Hamburgh ſay, that the Ruſſian Troops under the Command of General Keith are to debark in the Dutchy of Holſtein, and to march from thence into the Electorate of Hanover. They are to be follow'd by 13000 from Livonia, as ſoon as it is ſeen what Turn Things will take in the Diet of Grodno.

Some Letters from Bruſſels ſay, Marſhal de Saxe has forbid the Gates of Lille to be ſhut, notwithſtanding the near Approach of the Allies.

They write from Prague of the 19th inſtant. N. S. that the Garriſon of that City actually conſiſted of 10000 Men; that the Van-Guard of the Pruſſians had already appear'd on the Frontiers of Bohemia, upon which they were redoubling their Preparations to put the Town in a Poſture of Defence; that they expected every Day a Convoy of Artillery and Warlike Stores from Vienna; and that they were made to believe that the Duke of Saxe Weiſſenfells will ſpeedily join the Queen's Army with a Body of ſeveral thouſand Saxons.

The Princeſs Amelia, Capt. Jandine, took a French Felucca of Malta, bound for the Streights

from the Levant, who took out 1000 l. in Specie; and the Ship, ranſom'd for 70000 Livres, is ſince taken by the Oxford Man of War.

There is an Account come, that the French Ship that eſcaped from the Tigreſs Privateer, run on Shore ſoon after

'Tis ſaid that ſeveral new Regiments of Horſe and Foot will ſpeedily be rais'd in Great Britain.

We hear that their Royal Highneſſes the Prince and Princeſs of Wales have declar'd their Intentions of ſtaying a Month longer at Cliefden.

Tueſday the Right Hon. the Lord Chancellor came to his Houſe in Ormond Street, from the Seat of his Son, the Hon. Mr. York, at Wreſt in Bedfordſhire.

On Monday the Lady of Peniſton Powney, Eſq; Knight of the Shire for the County of Berks, was ſafely deliver'd of a Daughter at his Houſe in Pall-Mall.

On Monday Night two one-horſe Chairs running to get by one another in Hyde-Park, one of them was overturn'd againſt a Lamp-Poſt, and one Mr. Whitaker, who was in it, was ſo much bruis'd that 'tis thought he cannot recover.

Tueſday, at Noon, a Boat going for Woolwich, with ſeveral Perſons in it, was unfortunately ſunk by a Ship under Sail, by which Accident two young Men were drowned.

Thurſday a Man, who ſeem'd to be drown'd ſome time, was left on the Shore by the Privy Garden, Whitehall; and not being own'd, was carried to the Bone Houſe belonging to St. Margaret's, Weſtminſter.

On Monday died in advanced Years, at his Houſe at Coggleſhall, Mr. Thetford, one of the greateſt Bay-Factors in Eſſex.

The homeward-bound Eaſt India Ships which arrived ſafe off Dover the 28th Inſtant, under Convoy of the Hector and Sutherland Men of War, came out of St. Helena the 25th of June, and were in Company ſome Time with the Duc de Chartes, lately arrived at Port l'Orient, but did not know of a French War till they met the 21ſt Inſtant with a Dutch Ship, who gave them Intelligence thereof. The Montford, Hanſlop, the Warwick, Miſener, the Salisbury, Burroughs, and the Duke, Hinman, were off St. Helena the 16th of May, but did not go in for Convoy, ſo are ſuppoſed to be gone North about.

Wedneſday came an Account that the Induſtry Privateer, Capt. John Le Groſs, has taken a French Ship laden with Wine, &c. (which makes her fourth Prize) and carried her into Jerſey.

They write from Geneva by the French Mail Yeſterday, that Coni was inveſted by 40000 French and Spaniards, and that the Garriſon conſiſted of 5000 Piedmonteſe, ſo that what was mention'd by the Letters from Paris the Poſt before, of that Place being taken, proves a Gaſconade.

We hear that his Grace the Duke of Chandos ſucceeds the late Duke his Father, as Ranger of Enfield-Chace.

On Tueſday Night three Footpads robb'd ſome Gentlemen in a Coach on the King's Road, near Chelſea, and the Coachman not ſtanding ſtill at their Order, they fir'd ſeveral Piſtols at him, and one of the Balls went through the Coachman's Coat and graz'd on his Hip, but did him no other Damage; and one of the Horſes had two or three Balls lodg'd in him.

On Monday Night Mrs. Ward, with a Gentlewoman, coming from Ranelagh-Gardens, the Chariot in which they were, was, by the Horſes taking Fright, drove into a Ditch near that Place. Mrs. Ward and the Gentlewoman were forced thro' the fore Glaſs, but happily receiv'd no Damage; and the Servant behind jumped off and receiv'd no Hurt; but the Coachman received a Wound on his Head, and the Chariot was greatly damaged.

The Lords of the Admiralty have order'd 2000 more Hands to be employ'd in fitting out the Ships now building in the River, who are all order'd to work double Tides.

His Grace the Duke of Montagu, Maſter-General of the Ordnance, has order'd twenty-three Bombardiers from Woolwich, to be ſent to the Garriſon of St. John's in Newfoundland, in order to erect a Battery of twenty Cannon, to protect the Fiſhery there.

The Lords of the Treaſury have appointed Mr. Weſt to be Treaſurer of the Office of Ordnance, in the room of Mr. Witham, deceas'd.

Orders are iſſued out from the War-Office for 2000 Horſe and 4000 Foot to be raiſed with all Expedition for Flanders.

Thurſday was held a Board of Admiralty, when their Lordſhips were pleaſed to appoint Capt. Taylor to be Captain of the Fowey, a twenty Gun Ship, lately built at Hull.

The Board of Ordnance have appointed Mr. Peter Phillips, an Engeneer, to take a Survey and Plan of Tilbury Fort, in order for repairing enlarging, and better fortifying that Place.

Thurſday came on, before the Maſter, Wardens, and a Committee of the Mercers Company, the Election for a Profeſſor of Civil Law at Greſham College, in the Room of Mr. Cummins, deceas'd: The Candidates were. Dr. Wood, Fellow of All-Soul's College; Dr. Hay, and Mr. Roman, Fellows of St. John's College, Oxford, and Mr. Mace, when there were,

For Mr. Mace —— 6
Mr. Roman —— 4
Dr. Wood —— 1

Thurſday the Treaſure taken in the Aquapulco Ship by Commodore Anſon was divided among the Captors, which amounted to 171 l. each common Sailor's Share, excluſive of the Treaſure taken in the South-Seas.

By a Courier which arrived here from England in his Way to Vienna we are inform'd, that he carries the agreeable News to the Queen of Hungary, that ſhe will ſoon be ſupplied with a conſiderable Sum of Money, and that 12,000 Britiſh Forces will forthwith be embark'd for the Netherlands.

Extract of a private Letter from the Hague, dated Aug. 28.

The Remonſtrances made by Mr. Trevor to the States General ſince he delivered to them the late Memorial already publiſh'd, deſerves to be taken Notice of. After having ſet before their High Mightineſſes in the ſtrongeſt Light, the Danger to which her Hungarian Majeſty is expoſed by the threatned Invaſion of her hereditary Dominions, that Miniſter added, 'That it appeared inconceivable that a numerous, brave, and powerful Army 'ſhould continue inactive, after the French King 'had draughted ſo large a Body of his Forces from 'Flanders, and ſet out himſelf for Alſace: That 'it is upwards of a Month ago ſince the Allied 'Army decamped from the Neighbourhood of Oudenarde, during all which Time Duke d'Aremberg had not been able to attack the Enemy, or 'undertake any Siege: That it was a Thing unheard of, that an Army conſiſting of 66,000 'Men, ſhould employ their ſo much precious Part 'of a Campaign in gathering in the Harveſt of a 'few Contributions only from the Enemy, and 'that at a Time when ſo many ſtrong Places 'were in their View garriſoned only by Invalids, 'and Beggars pick'd up out of the Streets and Priſons of Paris: That for want of making a proper Uſe of this Opportunity, all the Advantages 'propos'd by Prince Charles of Lorrain having paſſed the Rhine were loſt, and Count Saxe enabled to reinforce his Army, by draughting Troops 'out of the ſeveral French Garriſons, without 'Duke d'Aremberg being in any Condition to prevent it: That a Succour in Troops is in a Manner of no Service to the Queen of Hungary, if 'they are not to act, and are unprovided with Artillery and Hoſpitals.' To all which Mr. Trevor further added, 'That as ſome of the Provinces ſeemed to object againſt drawing out Troops 'from the Towns which belong to the Republic, 'and are the leaſt expoſed, to ſupply the Place of 'thoſe which may be detached from the Allied Army, and ſent either into Cleves, or to penetrate 'by the Way of France into Lorrain; his Britannick Majeſty propoſes, that their High Mightineſſes, altho' at preſent no more expoſed to Danger than in Time of Peace, ſhall, for the Security of their Republic, keep their Troops in 'Garriſons at home, and according to the Example of Great Britain, ſupply the Queen of Hungary with powerful Subſidies in Money, to enable 'her in the moſt effectual Manner to make Uſe of 'thoſe Forces which God has put into her Hands.'

Extract of a Letter from the Piedmonteſe Camp at N. D. de Beze, dated Auguſt 4.

The Vaudois have begun to make Incurſions into France, from whence one of their Parties has brought off a Booty of 28,000 Livres in Specie, and Security for 52,000 more.

Extract of a Letter from the Auſtrian Camp at Nemi, dated the 12th of Auguſt, N. S. by way of Geneva.

Prince Lobkowitz having the 10th Inſtant, in the Night, detatch'd Lieutenant-Marſhal Brown, as if he intended to attack Count Gages's Army; the Prince, with a real Deſign, march'd to Velletri, in order to endeavour to ſurprize and take the King of the Two Sicilies Priſoner: But the Cavalry not coming up in time, the King narrowly eſcaped, with a few Light Horſe, out of that Gate where the Cavalry intended to make the Attack; which they afterwards did, Sword in Hand, with the Loſs of General Martiani, 100 Officers, and 600 of their beſt Troops taken Priſoners, beſides 4000 Spaniards and Neapolitans cut to Pieces; and a great Number of Deſerters came over to the Auſtrians. Prince Lobkowitz, by this well-laid Plan, has ſecured all the beſt Poſts, except one, with the Loſs on his Side of only 800 Men kill'd, and ſome wounded, and one of the General Officers of his Army was taken by the Enemy.

Extract of a private Letter from Strasburgh, dated Auguſt 20.

With Reſpect to the Situation of our Affairs in the Netherlands, we are not under the leaſt Concern about them, of which you may aſſure all thoſe who are more or leſs uneaſy at the Motions of the Allied Army. Marſhal Noailles told me, two Days ago, what tends greatly to our Advantage in the preſent Conjuncture, that we have nothing to fear in Flanders, for that the Dutch do not all reject our Propoſals nor our Friendſhip. As for Lille, we are under no Apprehenſion about the Fortreſs, 'tis not in the Power of the Allies to do any thing againſt it, ſince the Reinforcements thrown in there; beſides, the Seaſon is too far advanced for the Enemy to undertake any thing. There is great Likelihood that we ſhall ſoon be freed from the Allied Army, at the Expence of ſome Contributions which that may raiſe amongſt us.

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